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"GAFFNEY, ALLISON DISCUSS THE NUCLEAR GENIE"

Please Join the House Bipartisan Task Force on Non-Proliferation for a Panel Discussion

On the Eve of

The Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference

Thursday, April 28 at 8:30 am Room 2218 Rayburn

Dear Colleague:

With the Seventh Review Conference of the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) set to begin on May 2 in New York, a discussion of the relevance of NPT is timely. Since the last Review Conference North Korea has declared it has nuclear weapons, and Iran continues to assert its right to pursue nuclear technology. What do Members of Congress need to know about the Non-Proliferation Treaty? Is the Treaty in trouble? Can it be strengthened?

The House Bipartisan Task Force on Non-Proliferation has assembled a panel of two renowned experts on non-proliferation and invites you to join us for this timely discussion. Panelists include:

Dr. Graham Allison, Douglas Dillon Professor of Government and Director of the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at the Kennedy School of Harvard University. He served as Assistant Secretary of Defense for Policy and Plans under President Clinton. He has written widely on the threat of nuclear proliferation, including his recent book: Nuclear Terrorism: The Ultimate Preventable Catastrophe (2004).

Frank J. Gaffney Jr., President of The Center for Security Policy. In 1987 he served as Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy and before that he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear Forces and Arms Control Policy under President Reagan. He is well known for his work as a columnist for the *Washington Times, Jewish World Review and TownHall.com* as well as for his Op Ed pieces in many of our national new publications.

If you have further questions about the event or wish to join the Non-Proliferation Task Force, please contact Katie Donnelly (Rep. Markey) at 225-2836 or Jordan Press (Rep. Shays) at 225-5541.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Markey

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